

- 1.3 New Claim 6 correlates with original Claim 3 and the method recited in the claim has been restricted to the diagnosis of schizophrenia by detecting a DTH reaction.
- 1.4 New Claim 7 and new Claims 8-10 correlate with original Claims 2 and Claims 5-6 respectively.

**In summary:**

New Claims 1-4 and 6 are not anticipated by the D1 publication. The subject matter of the remaining claims is novel and inventive as stated by the Examiner in Point V of the Written Opinion.

**2. Amendments in the specification:**


- 2.1 The prior art publication referred to as D1 in the Written Opinion was added to the list of references on page 2 as reference 15 and acknowledged in the background part of the specification on page 3, paragraph 3.
- 2.2 The description on page 8, lines 9 and 10 which referred to homologues of the Pool 2 proteins has been deleted.
- 2.3 On page 12, in the penultimate line of paragraph 1, the upper range of pI 10 was amended to read pI 9.5 in agreement with Claim 1.
- 2.4 On page 13 of the specification, third paragraph, the reference to two schizophrenic patients was amended to refer to a single schizophrenic patient in agreement with the results shown in Fig. 1.

We kindly request the Examiner to enter the above amendments in the claims and specification and to consider them while establishing the Preliminary Examination Report. Moreover, we would be obliged to the Examiner for contacting the undersigned to further clarify the above amendments if necessary.

Yours very truly,

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